

The Examiner states that claim 1 is generic. In response, Applicants elect the Species III claims. It is believed that claims 1-9 and 18-20 are readable on elected Species III. Furthermore, upon allowance of a generic claim(s), Applicant is entitled to consideration and allowance of the non-elected claims that include all the recitations of the allowed generic claim(s).

Submitted concurrently herewith is a Petition for Extension of Time under C.F.R. 1.136(a). No other fees are believed due with this Response. If any such fees are required, please charge the required fee amount due to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Account No. 16-1150.

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